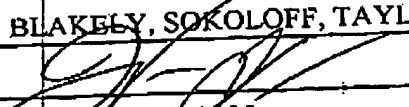
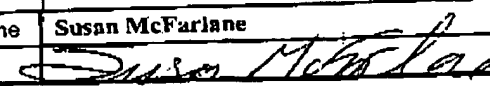


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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In the Office Action mailed August 11, 2005, the Examiner contends that Applicant claims two distinct inventions; namely, Group I (claims 1-14) directed to a media production system and method for production as defined in claims 1-14, and Group II (claims 15-19) directed to a system for steganographically encoding media as defined in claims 15-19. Thus, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §121, the Examiner requires Applicant to restrict the application to one of the alleged two inventions.

In compliance with 35 U.S.C. §121, Applicant elects Group I (claims 1-14).

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**Conclusion**

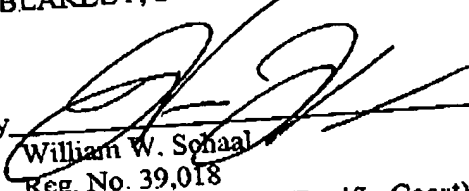
Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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